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Re: Filing of New U.S. Utility Patent Application
Title: "Polyacrylamide Hydrogel For Arthritis"
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Dear Sir:

Attached is a new patent application for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office including seventeen (17) pages of Specification, four (4) pages of Claims (numbered 1-35), and an unexecuted Declaration.

This application claims priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/228,081, filed August 25, 2000.

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Number of Claims in Excess of: 20	35	15	\$ 18.00	270.00
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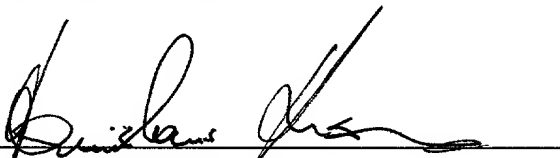
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